

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A navigation device comprising:

5 a storage means for storing map data containing road time restriction information;

a route searching means for searching a route to a destination referring to the map data stored in the storage means; and

a display means for displaying the route searched by the route searching means.

10 2. The navigation device according to Claim 1, further comprising a restriction information reception means which receives addition, modification or deletion with respect to the time restriction information.

15 3. The navigation device according to Claim 2, wherein when the addition, modification or deletion with respect to the time restriction information is received by the restriction information reception means, the route searching means re-searches a route to the destination taking the time restriction information into account.

20 4. The navigation device according to Claim 1, wherein when a road with time restriction is present in an optimal route to the destination, the route searching means outputs the optimal route to the display means, and at the same time searches a route by-passing the road with time restrictions and outputs the route by-passing the road with time restrictions to the display means.

25 5. The navigation device according to Claim 4, wherein the display means displays each route separately when a plurality of routes are output from the route searching means.

30 6. The navigation device according to Claim 4, wherein a selection means is provided which selects a route to be actually traveled when a plurality of routes are output from the route searching means.

35 7. The navigation device according to Claim 4, wherein the display

means displays details of the time restriction before a user reaches a branching point of the road with time restrictions and the by-pass road.

8. The navigation device according to Claim 1, wherein the display
5 means displays details of the time restriction when a road with time restrictions is present in the route searched by the route searching means.

9. The navigation device according to Claim 8, wherein a setting means
10 is provided which sets whether or not to avoid traveling on the road with time restrictions.

10. The navigation device according to Claim 9, wherein when a setting
is performed in order to avoid traveling on the road with time restrictions,
the route searching means re-searches a route by-passing the road with
15 time restrictions.